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Applicant: Rohit Kapur et al.
Assignee: Synopsys, Inc.
Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY RETARGETING
TEST VECTORS BETWEEN DIFFERENT TESTER TYPES
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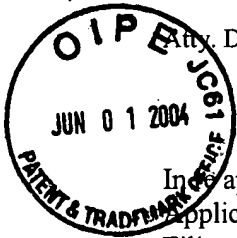
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Initial Comments

Claims 1-29 are pending in the present application. The Abstract is objected to because of its length and terminology. Claims 3, 10, 17, and 25 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1, 4-8, 11-15, 18-23, and 26-29 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,983,380 (Motika). Claims 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 24, and 25 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being obvious over Motika in view of U.S. Patent 6,311,300 (Omura).

Claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 17, and 25 are amended herein.



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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2. **STATUS:** Applicant is other than a small entity.
3. **EXTENSION OF TERM:** The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
4. **FEE FOR CLAIMS:** The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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Total					Addit. Fee	\$0

No additional fee for claims is required.

5. **FEE DEFICIENCY:** If any additional extension and/or fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0574.

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